

House Resolution No. 1784

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, fifty years ago on April 18, 1954, William Leroy Garriott, son of Royal "Dutch" and Ida (Polacek) Garriott, took the hand of his beautiful bride, Tillie Velte, daughter of John and Frances Velte, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony officiated by the Reverend Robert Herrmann and witnessed by Edward Brewer and Anna M. Velte, sister of the bride, at the home of the bride's parents in McCredie, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Leroy and Tillie Garriott have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Ronald and Sherri Garriott of Hartsburg, Lynn and Ric Porter of Affton, and Gayleen and George Ousley of Columbia; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Leroy Garriott is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a the owner of Garriott's Excavating; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Tillie Garriott has further distinguished herself by being the former bookkeeper at Garriott's Excavating and retiring from the Kingdom of Callaway Chamber of Commerce, which dedicated its new Chamber Board Room in both Tillie and Leroy's name; and

Whereas, Leroy and Tillie Garriott have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Garriott will commemorate the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on April 17, 2004, at K.C. Country in Kingdom City:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Leroy and Tillie Garriott for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. William Leroy Garriott.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1784, adopted April 19, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker